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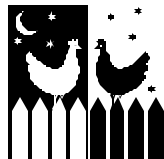
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Although values were yet to be established, early trading was generally trending unchanged in the major terminal markets. Demand was in a full range of fair to moderately good, with best interest on parts and into fast food outlets. Supplies were in close balance due in part to first of month business, feature activity and reduced processing schedules. In the parts structure, bone-in breast were well balanced and clearing, wings were in a better position but usually sufficient for needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cent to 64.00 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 59.75 cents last year on the 5th of July, 2000. Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

DOCK PRICE

(CENTS PER POUND)

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	207.00
BREASTS - B/S	142.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	74.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	97.50
LEG QUARTERS	31.50
WINGS	98.00

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SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady with values in the major terminal markets not yet determined but trending unchanged. Prices on local markets were trending slightly higher. Demand was moderate to fairly good for post-holiday purchases. Supplies and offerings were in close balance as most processing schedules were reduced this week. In the parts structure, all items were balanced to well cleared. Bone-in breast were clearing in most locations easily. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was mostly moderate. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to well cleared. Movement into retail and distributive channels was mostly fair to moderate, best where features were in progress. The market tone was at least steady. In the parts complex, bone-in breast items were in good balance and well cleared. Boneless skinless breasts were at least adequate to fully adequate. Dark meat items were in good balance. Wings were available.

MIDWEST Trade sentiment on whole fryers steady. Additional offers of whole fryers were balanced with buyer's current needs. Retail demand only fair following the holiday. Food service movement mixed fair to good, best into fast food outlets. Floor stocks were adequate to in close balance, generally due to shipping schedules. Sizes desirable to light. Supplies of leg quarters adequate to close, boneless skinless breast adequate, bone in breast adequate to barely adequate, wings adequate to fully adequate. The trade sentiment was mixed on breast items, steady to barely steady on wings, mostly steady on balance of items.

WESTERN The market tone was generally steady. Early trading reported for next week's deliveries at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings were easily adequate to cover current needs. Retailer demand was fairly good, best for parts. Floor stocks adequate. The market tone was fully steady on bone-in breasts and generally steady on balance of parts.

CHICK PLACEMENT AND EGG SET TOTAL

15 STATES	PERCENT CHANGE	
WEEK ENDING 06/30/01	2001	2000
EGGS SET	180,533	174,933
CHICKS PLACED	150,572	149,938
*19 STATES		
EGGS SET	200,231	-
CHICKS PLACED	168,269	-

BROILER EGGS SET IN 15 SELECTED STATES UP 3 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-State weekly program set 181 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 30, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 15-State weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 30, 2001. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 30, 2001 were 3.83 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

*FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

Commercial hatcheries for the 19 States set a total of 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending June 30, 2001. Broiler growers in the 19 States placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 30, 2001.

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 11-Aug-01 IS ESTIMATED AT 155.8 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 157.3 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 157.9 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 157.1 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 55.64 CENTS PER POUND.

JULY 03, 2001	POUNDS	SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS		
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,100	120.00-200.00	135-145	139.76
TENDERLOINS	450	140.00-230.00	140-145	151.25
BREAST - LINE RUN	77	70.00-74.00	-	70.62
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	292	40.00-51.00	43-46	44.01
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	429	26.50-29.50	27-28	27.31
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,694	29.00-32.00	31-32	31.24
WINGS (WHOLE)	318	95.00-98.50	97-99	98.04
WINGS (CUT)	628	104.00-110.00	108-110	108.37
DRUMSTICKS	109	49.00-53.00	-	51.64
THIGHS	74	47.00-51.00	-	49.11
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

 WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JULY 3, 2001 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE
46.75 - 50.75	48.41

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair as most dealers assessed needs and were cautious as they watched for further market developments. Offerings of bone-in breasts were in fairly good balanced and clearing. Boneless skinless breast were at least adequate to fully adequate. Wings were available but moving into a better balance than a week earlier. Movement through retail channels was fair. The market tone was steady to fully steady on bone-in breast, boneless skinless breast were about steady. Wings were no better than steady.

*PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES **JULY 03, 2001**

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130-135	139.40	514,420
TENDERLOINS	135	139.18	157,092
BREAST - WITH RIBS	64-65	71.24	349,400
BREAST - LINE RUN	64	68.29	100,800
LEGS	41-42	43.15	304,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	29-30	30.27	931,568
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	44.51	210,020
THIGHS	37-38	45.13	150,440
B/S THIGHS	88-89	88.11	111,510
WINGS (WHOLE)	87-88	86.88	560,820
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.06	94,200
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	39.71	130,720
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.81	126,740

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/05	07/03	07/03	06/28	06/26
ALA	3,483	3,880	5.07	3,924	5.05
ARK	5,240	5,257	4.88	4,977	4.95
DELMARVA	2,320	2,330	5.00	2,328	5.10
KY-LA-TN	2,043	2,043	4.43	2,055	4.57
MISS	2,339	2,806	4.91	2,839	5.04
NC	2,418	2,628	5.79	2,606	5.97
TEXAS	2,399	2,395	4.76	2,354	4.77
TOTAL	20,242	21,339	4.99	21,083	5.06
MON-THUR	63,705 (A)			84,447 (A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 05-Jul 2001 is estimated to be 30,284,000 down 4.28 percent from a week ago and down 9.22 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 31,637,000, last year 33,358,000)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE	JULY 3, 2001
FRESH FRYERS	85-87	
ROASTERS 4# & UP	71-90	
HENS UNDER 5#	-	
HENS OVER 5#	-	
DUCKS	139	
RABBITS-WHOLE	-	
RABBITS-CUT UP	-	
SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY		JULY 5, 2001
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS		
FRESH FRYERS	DRY PACK	96-104
	ICE PACK	94-96
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	113-123
	ICE PACK	104-113
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	91
	ICE PACK	98
DUCKS		152-166

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 05-01

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	07/07/01 (1)	06/30/01
CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
BRO-FRY	141,865 (2)	164,088
LT HENS	1,423	1,959
HVY HENS	1,213	1,437
CHECK TOTAL	144,501	167,484

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 07-Jul-01 is 158.1 million head compared to 137.3 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 142.1 million head or 16.0 million less than estimated available. For week of 15-Jul-01 the estimated available is 158.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 2-Jul-01	169,560	63,829
AM 1-Jun-01	154,870	63,232
CHG	14,690	597
PCT CHG	9	1

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	07/02/01	06/25/01	07/03/00	07/02/01	06/25/01	07/03/00
PACIFIC						
COAST	27,019	26,866	20,121	4,260	4,274	13,898
LOS						
ANGELES	3,457	3,143	326	2,475	2,480	4,767

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF JULY 02, 2001

	RANGE
HENS ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	54-56
VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	56-65

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES

FOR 07/03/01

	LOW	HIGH	AVG	LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb..05.50	.25			HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb. -	-			LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb. - .50				MIXED FOWL ea.	.60	1.40
BANTAMS lb. .30 .35	.32			BANTAMS ea.	.50	.80
BROILERS lb. - .50				BROILERS ea.	-	-
ROASTERS lb. -	-			ROASTERS ea.	-	-
FRYERS lb. -	-			FRYERS ea.	-	-
CHICKS lb. -	-			CHICKS ea.	.20	1.40
PULLETS lb. -	-			PULLETS ea.	-3.00	-
BUNNIES lb. -	-			BUNNIES ea.	.40	1.25
ROOSTERS lb..201.25	.85			ROOSTERS ea.	.70	3.50
GEESE lb. -	-			GEESE ea.	-	-
TURKEYS lb. -	-			TURKEYS ea.	-	-
DUCKS lb. .701.00	.88			DUCKS ea.	1.25	3.75
RABBITS lb. .45 .95	.67			RABBITS ea.	.50	3.00
PIGEONS lb. -	-			PIGEONS ea.	-	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.-	-			GUINEA FOWL ea.	1.50	7.00
DUCKLINGS lb. -	-			DUCKLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA KEETS ea .70 1.75	-			CALL DUCKS ea.	3.00	6.25
SILKIES ea. 2.502.75	-			GOSLINGS ea.	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.-	-				-	-

TOTAL COOPS 109

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS-Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending June 29, 2001

	Whole Chickens	Breasts	Legs w/ Thighs	Necks,Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
RAYON						
Low	73.18	150.38	100.25	20.05	2.51	52.63
High	74.19	160.40	110.28	25.06	3.51	52.63
Mostly	73.68	150.38	100.25	20.05	3.51	52.63

SAN JUAN

Low	75.19	155.39	110.28	30.08	5.01	54.64
High	79.20	165.42	120.30	40.10	7.52	54.64
Mostly	77.70	157.90	115.29	32.58	5.01	54.64

NEW SAN JUAN

Low	72.18	140.35	95.24	15.04	2.51	55.14
High	73.18	150.38	100.25	25.06	3.51	55.14
Mostly	73.18	150.38	100.25	20.05	3.01	55.14

BECERRA

Low	75.19	165.42	115.29	40.10	4.01	52.63
High	78.20	170.43	125.31	42.61	6.02	52.63
Mostly	77.70	165.42	115.29	40.10	5.01	52.63

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was generally noted as moderate to fairly good. Offerings were adequate to well cleared and in the closer balance on the 2.5 to 3.0 sizes. Live supplies were as least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderate to light. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 57 to 71 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Whole breast were tight. Boneless skinless breasts and tenders were readily available. Leg items were in generally good balance. Wings were not as freely available, but supplies remained ample.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

	BRANDED
	U.S. GRADE A
RANGE	54-78
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	59.48
NO. OF BOXES	11,321

*7 of 8 plants reporting.

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